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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-15 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new claims 16-27 as follows:

-- 16. (New) A method of connecting calls through a radio access network to a mobile radio in communication with a first core network on a first call, comprising the steps of:

receiving the first call from a first core network connection;
delivering the first call to the mobile radio on a radio call channel;
receiving a page request for the mobile radio from a second core network;
delivering the page request to the mobile radio while continuing to maintain the first call on the radio call channel;
receiving a page response from the mobile radio on the radio call channel;
establishing a second core network connection to the second core network; and